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1. The summer training and exercise camp of Hungarian communications troops is between Kismaros and Nógrádverőce. The latter village lies eight km northwest of Vác, where a communications regiment is stationed.
2. The camp has been in existence for three years, but there are few permanent structures. Among them are a food magazine, a kitchen, a bathhouse and a camp hospital. The camp command is installed in Migazziburg Castle; all the rest are in tents.
3. The camp has a construction section that takes care of the tents and buildings. During June 1953 more than 730 tents were set up.
4. The camp has its own electric central, but only for emergency use. The state high tension lines generally furnish electricity.
5. There is a permanent Soviet military liaison staff of 12 persons at the camp. The Soviets do not deal with the Hungarian technical personnel directly, communicating only with the high command.
6. The whole area is strictly forbidden to civilian personnel and is closely guarded.
7. The camp has a capacity of 5,000 men. In June 1953 it held about 1,100 persons. The first unit to arrive was the communications regiment from Vác, which left nothing behind but a small guard company. Later all communications battalions arrived under the Budapest corps command.

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